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## ALMA HIGH TEAM A PROMISING ONE

Several Veterans and Good  
New Material to Make  
Selections From.

## FIRST GAME NEXT SATURDAY

Bay City Western Will be Met at  
Bay City in the Opening  
Game of the Season.

Alma High School opens its baseball season next Saturday at Bay City where the Western High School of that city will be met and some old scores paid off, and the Alma boys hope and expect to do the paying.

For the past two weeks the boys under the coaching of Mr. Luchman have been putting lots of hard work practicing for the coming season of games and prospects for a winning team were never better than they are this year. Enough veterans are back to form a steady and quick thinking nucleus, while a crowd of capable recruits are out for the open positions on the team.

At a recent meeting of the veterans Roy Perry, a senior in school and last winter captain of the basketball team was elected captain of the baseball team. Perry is a veteran of three years standing and during his period of service has been one of the most dependable catchers Alma High has ever had. He is a hard and consistent hitter and will be just the right sort of a man to lead the boys to victory. He will do all the catching this year. Allen Highfield will do the major portion of the pitching. Last year he had a very successful year. He has never been hit very hard and has always been able to show a fine variety of curves mingled with good control. Mann may see some service in the box also.

Smith and Stevens are the leading candidates for the base job, with Smith shading the latter, though Smith may be used at his old position. He is a handy fielder at either position and has the added advantage of being the heaviest hitter on the team. Wood and Wilson are showing best at second base and Stevens and Mann are being used at both short and third alternately.

There are a fine lot of outfielders. Among the leading candidates are Bortles, Hulse, Mindell, Archie Wood, Greenhouse and Wiers, while Dutt, Medler and Wonders are working out with the second team in the infield.

Couch Luchman will be the coach of the team this spring. He is one of the most successful and best liked coaches Alma has ever had and every one is "pulling" for him to bring home another winner.

## A. H. S. BASEBALL SCHEDULE

April 24 Bay City Western at Bay City.  
May 1 Mt. Pleasant at Mt. Pleasant.  
May 5 Shepherd at Shepherd.  
May 14 St. Louis at St. Louis.  
May 18 Ithaca at Alma.  
May 21 St. Louis at Alma.  
May 25 Shepherd at Alma.  
May 29 Mt. Pleasant at Alma.  
June 1 Ithaca at Ithaca.  
June 5 Arthur Hill at Alma.

## NEW BANKING BILL

The Michigan legislature passed a new banking law last Thursday which threatens to put a good many of the smaller banks of Michigan out of business and curtail materially the effectiveness of a good many others. The bill makes it a criminal offense for a bank to charge more than seven per cent interest for loans. Both imprisonment and a fine are the punishments which the law will inflict for offenses against it.

There are a great number of banks in the outlying districts of the state which are forced to charge high rates of interest because of the difficulties which they experience in securing money with which to loan to their customers. This money comes to the banks only at a high rate and they are forced to charge a correspondingly high rate. The ultimate result of the law seems to be that the banking facilities in the smaller communities and in the farming districts of Michigan will be greatly curtailed.

## FOUR DIE DURING THE WEEK

The Death Angel entered four Alma homes last week and four well known Alma people passed away. In three cases the deceased was an old resident and the funerals were attended by large numbers of old citizens, while in the fourth case, that of Fred Rogers, the funeral was attended by an enormous crowd of people of every class and age, among whom were over sixty members of the Masonic lodge of which he was a member. The funeral of the latter was especially sad as he was the father of five children who were dependent upon him.

## BYRON RICHARD NEVINS

Another aged and highly respected citizen was called to his rest, April 15, 1915. He was born in the township of Medina, Lenawee county, Michigan, October 24th, 1844, being at the time of his death aged 70 years, 5 months and 21 days.

At the age of 22, Mr. Nevins came to the neighborhood just south of Alma and hired out to Wm. Nelson where he worked for two years. October 8, 1868, he was married to Miss Samantha Rush and settled on the place owned at the time by Wm. Nelson's father which Mr. Nevins afterward purchased and which continued to be his home until the time of his death. To this union were born three children. One child died in infancy. One daughter, Mrs. Nellie Nevins Hicks, and one son, Floyd E. Nevins, together with their mother are left of the immediate family. Beside these Mr. Nevins leaves a brother, Frank Nevins of Frontier, Hillsdale county and Mrs. John Durkin, of Alma.

Mr. Nevins can thus be counted strictly a pioneer. He has often been heard to talk of the experiences of the "60s" in and around Alma, St. Louis, and Ithaca. He was universally respected for his integrity and his faithfulness to what he believed to be right. When about 26 years of age, he became a professed Christian and about 1873, he accepted the faith preached by the Seventh Day Adventists and united with that church in which he was accounted a faithful and trustworthy member until his death. For fifteen years the deceased had been afflicted with heart disease and all these years has lived under the constant menace of sudden death. His faithful companion watched over him until the end came and he was able to come an especially heavy loss. A day or two before his death he was down town in usual health for him, but for some days he has had a premonition that the long battle against the dread enemy was soon to close. His conversation for the last few days upon themes that involved the nearness of the end of time for he believed that the present situation betokens an early close of earthly history.

The almost universal esteem in which Mr. Nevins was held was evidenced by the fact that a large number of people who came to pay their last respects to their old friend and neighbor. A line of teams and automobiles about three quarters of a mile long stretched nearly from the house to the cemetery. The funeral services were held at the residence of J. G. Lamson of the Adventist church, principal of the Academy at Cedar Lake, and the music was furnished by a quartette from the Academy. The floral offerings were very beautiful, the day was all that could be desired and Mr. Nevins was laid to rest in the little cemetery by which he had passed every time he went to Alma, for nearly half a century.

## DANIEL VAN BUREN HUBBELL

Daniel Van Buren Hubbell was born in Easton, N. Y. on June 13-12 and died at Alma, April 15, 1915. He was 72 years, 10 months and 12 days old. He had two brothers and one sister. Mr. Hubbell moved to Buffalo, where he lived until the call for volunteers for the Mexican war. He was engaged in the 49th New York State Volunteers Company I and D, and served until the close of the war. He was married to Henrietta Cammerling at Buffalo on April 7, 1867 and they two have been companions for 48 years. They moved to Michigan in 1877 where they have lived in St. Louis and Alma. They have resided in Alma for 32 years, since June 1883. Mr. Hubbell has been sick for a long time but has suffered patiently and has been ministered to with loving care by his wife. He is survived by his wife, his daughter, Mrs. George Beldson of Grand Rapids and a sister, Mrs. Stonerock of St. Louis. Funeral services were held at the home by Rev. J. W. Preist and at the grave by the Grand Army Post, on Monday morning, April 19th.

## FRED ROGERS

Fred Rogers was born in Pine River township, Feb. 7th, 1885 and died at Alma, April 15, 1915 at the age of thirty years, two months and three days. He had been engaged in the barber business in Alma for the past six years. He was a member of the Masonic order. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife and five children, Gertrude, Velma, Marion, Fern and baby Harriet; a father, and mother; three sisters and three brothers together with a host of friends. In business life and in social life Mr. Rogers was honored and respected and the presence of such a large number at his funeral is proof of the high esteem in which he is held in Alma and vicinity.

## CATHERINE BURROWS RUSS

Catherine Burrows Russ was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, September 26, 1861, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Bagley, on State St., April 15, 1915. In 1883 she was married to L. E. Russ in West Bloomfield, New York. For fifty years she lived with her husband in North Adam Michigan, moving to Alma nine years ago, where she has since lived.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. William Mason, at the home of her daughter, Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

## 100 ATTEND BIG MASONIC BANQUET

Past Masters Guests of Honor  
at Big Dinner Held  
Wednesday Night.

## THREE GIVEN THIRD DEGREE

Toastmaster Ezra Smith Calls on  
Several Prominent Alma Men  
for Speeches.

One hundred Masons gathered at the lodge hall Wednesday afternoon and evening for the first annual banquet to be given in honor of the past masters. The Wednesday affair was one of the finest banquets the fraternal organization has ever given.

In the afternoon the third degree was given to three men, Bryson McCloy, a senior at the college, Frank Rapson of the Consolidated Light and Power Co. and William Moody of Forest Hill. At six o'clock Worshipful Master, Jesse E. Fuller introduced the toastmaster of the evening, E. Smith, who in turn called upon the following pastmasters for toasts, Michael Pollasky who held this honor back in 1877, J. M. Montigel, Dr. L. Johnson, S. L. Bennett, and Charles R. Murphy who have served in that capacity in the Masonic lodge in Alma and Mr. Killian, principal of the high school who was a pastmaster in Colorado, Mr. Montague of the Masonic Home, Dr. Hume of Owosso, and Dr. Blaisdell.

The college orchestra composed of Ray Tomlin, leader, James Stauffer, William Gallagher, Robert Sherwood and Norman Bisline, rendered a fine selection which so pleased the banquet committee that the boys were called upon for three encores. The quartette sang a popular selection and were also called back three different times. The quartette was composed of Paul Austin, Oscar Anderson, Ralph Chisholm and Clarence Goodrich. Rudolph Beyer who made such a hit with his readings featuring the Glee Club concerts, was called upon for some of his best readings. He more than came up to expectations.

The banquet will become an annual affair and it would be one of the most popular fraternal functions in the city social life. Following the banquet the one hundred men were invited to attend the show at the Vaudeville by Manager Weese, which they greatly enjoyed.

## A. H. S. ORATORS RANK HIGH IN CONTEST

Helen Mason and Donald Blaisdell  
Win Places in Competition  
Held at Elsie.

The Sub-district Oratorical and Declamation contests were held at Elsie Friday evening April 17th at seven thirty p.m. with a large crowd on hands to hear the high school speakers. The Alma representatives, Miss Helen Mason and Donald Blaisdell, did unusually well and should be commended for the high places which they secured.

In the declamation contest Miss Mason secured third place with "Responsibilities of American Citizenship". It was the same subject with which she won first place in the local contest. Her delivery and expression were even better than shown in the local contest.

Royal Holden of Elsie won first place and Frances Granger of St. Johns second place.

In the oratorical part of the program Donald Blaisdell secured second place with Edwin Rossow of St. Johns capturing first honors. Nina Ford of St. Louis was awarded third place. The following is the program:  
Violin Solo Helen Wooley  
Girls' quartette  
The Strenuous Life Frederick Storror Owosso  
Spartacus To the Gladiators  
The New South Frances Granger St. Johns  
Responsibilities of American Citizenship Helen Mason Alma  
The Call to Arms Royal Holden Elsie  
Vocal Solo Harold Bates  
A Plea For The Boy George Alexander Owosso  
Abraham Lincoln Nina Ford St. Louis  
The Prevention of War Donald Blaisdell Alma  
A Call From The West Edwin Rossow St. Johns  
Vocal Solo Juanita Sebring  
Instrumental Duet  
Thought and Composition Prof. F. B. McKay, Ypsilanti Normal  
Prof. F. B. Ritchie, Alma College  
Prin. J. W. Sexton Lansing

## DELIVERY

Rev. L. T. Robinson Duplain  
Supt. F. C. Smith Ovid  
Supt. Floyd Boughner Ashley

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the minister for his kind expression of sympathy and the neighbors and friends for their kind words in our recent bereavement also the quartette for the music which they rendered.

Mrs. R. E. Nevins  
Mr. and Mrs. Will Hicks  
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Nevins

## GRATIOT COUNTY GAS COMPANY GROWING RAPIDLY

The Gratiot County Gas Company, one of Alma's leading institutions is rapidly adding on its load of consumers. Stoves are being sold in Alma at the rate of two a day and its service crews are far ahead in piping service pipes into houses in all parts of the city. The company has stood its test and has proven its worth. Last fall when gas was first turned on, complaints were heard occasionally about light bills but with added lighting, store and house lighting and fuel for cooking.

A large crew is laying the pipe toward Ithaca, where an office will be opened the last of this month. The company is flooded with orders for stoves to be placed immediately upon the arrival of the gas.

Immediately upon completion of the work in Ithaca the company will continue its lines to Breckenridge and serve the village with gas for street lighting, store and house lighting and fuel for cooking.

The stock of the company is owned jointly by Gratiot County and Grand Rapids capital. Alma, St. Louis, Ithaca and Breckenridge are assured of permanency of their gas company, as is evidenced by the demand for more stock from Grand Rapids parties. It is urged that any local stock that might be offered for sale will be offered to local parties first so that the control of this company will rest in Gratiot County rather than in Grand Rapids.

## THREE FINE LECTURES GIVEN LAST WEEK

Salvation Army and Lyceum Course  
Addresses Were Listened to by  
Large Audiences.

Last Wednesday evening, Mr. Yeomans of Chicago, one of the best known landscape gardeners in the United States, gave a fine lecture as the last number of the Lyceum course in the high school auditorium, on the subject of landscape gardening, shrubs and house position.

Among other things he pointed out how much and what variety should be around the house; where the house itself should be placed on a given lot, the proper place for the flower garden etc. He also advocated the planting of a hedge in front and on the sides of the lot. Nature lovers receive many helpful suggestions and judging from the interest which the audience took in his lecture, Alma will be a much more beautiful city.

The Wednesday evening lecture marks the close of one of the best lyceum courses Alma has ever had. The committee should receive the highest praise for their successful handling of such a commendable course of lectures, entertainments and musical programs.

Two fine lectures were given in the Salvation Army hall by Major E. Tucker and Prof. E. E. Babbitt of Detroit, two prominent Army workers, the former speaking Thursday evening and the latter Friday evening. Crowded houses greeted both speakers and interest was intense throughout the services. The visitors were powerfully impressed and should be commended for their return to Alma they would be received by even larger audiences.

## FINE RECORD FOR 25 YEAR SUBSCRIBER

Mrs. F. A. Fisher called on the Record Wednesday afternoon in a troubled state of mind. She was about one week behind in her subscription to the paper and she was most apologetic. Twenty five years ago Mrs. Fisher began her subscription to the Record and she has taken it ever since. Any this is the first time in twenty five years that she has allowed her subscription to run over a single day.

She said that she thought she had better write a letter and tell us to call on her for her subscription as she is too feeble to walk, but instead she hired a rig to bring her down to the office that she might pay it in person. Perhaps there are more honest and more business-like people in the world than the aged Mrs. Fisher, but we doubt it. Were the rest of the Record subscribers to follow the custom of Mrs. Fisher, the Record would be in far better shape to turn out the best weekly newspaper in Central Michigan.

## MIDDLETON ELEVATOR

The Middleton Elevator has enlarged its capacity considerably by building a forty foot addition on the end of the main building the same width as the building proper. Besides this it has built a sixty foot shed.

In the last two years this bustling South Gratiot enterprise has experienced a phenomenal growth and its present business district embraces an area of a good many miles around Middleton. Wise business administration and enterprising have been the most prominent factors in the fine growth which the Middleton Elevator has enjoyed.

Dr. E. A. Bagley and family.

## MAY FESTIVAL PROGRAM

The third annual May Festival of Alma college will be held in the Wright Opera House, May 27th and 28th, with all the musical organizations in the city and college participating and prospects for the best program yet given in store for the music lovers of Alma. Besides the college choral club and orchestra will be the public school children's chorus under the direction of Miss Jones, head of the music department in the public schools. The directors will be Miss Jones, Prof. Veatch and Mr. Hugh Dickerson.

Three popular and well known artists will be the soloists. Miss Beatrice Jackson, of Detroit for several years a student in the college, will sing the soprano parts, Mr. Patton of Ann Arbor the tenor solos and Mr. Knapp of Mt. Pleasant the baritone solos. The following is the program for the two days of splendid musical entertainment.

First Concert, Thursday evening, May twenty seventh  
"The Bohemian Girl" by Balfe—Opera in three acts  
Cast of Characters  
Arlene (Count Arnheim's daughter) Miss Velma Gilmore  
Gypsy Queen Miss Lorna Woodruff  
Thaddeus (Polish Noble in exile) Mr. Patton

Count Arnheim (Governor of Pressburg) Mr. Ward Hodge  
Florentine (Count Arnheim's nephew) Mr. Bopp Butler  
Devilshoof (Gypsy leader) Mr. Hugh C. Dickerson

Staged, costumed and with orchestral accompaniment.  
Second Concert, Friday afternoon, May Twenty-eighth.

(a) Chorus Numbers by Public School Children's chorus.  
Miss Jones, Conductor  
Visiting Soloists  
Third Concert, Friday evening, May Twenty-eighth  
(a) The Seven Last Words of Christ by Theodore Dubois  
Soloists Miss Beatrice Jackson, Soprano  
Mr. Reese Farrington Veatch, Baritone

Alma College Choral Club  
Miss Grace D. Roberts, Pianist  
Mr. Hugh C. Dickerson, Conductor  
(b) Miscellaneous Orchestra Program  
Alma College Orchestra  
Master Mr. Cyril Davis, Concert  
Veatch, Conductor

Tickets for the entire course will be one dollar and for each individual concert fifty cents. The seats will be reserved at Brunner's drug store beginning Wednesday, May nineteenth 10th.

## GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The third annual concert of the Alma college Glee Club was given in the Wright Opera House Friday evening April 16th before a rather small but enthusiastic and appreciative crowd of music lovers. Though they were not up to their highest standard the boys gave one of the finest entertainments heard here for a long time. The ensemble singing of the club was fine and the readings by Rudolph Beyer left nothing more to be desired. His dialect work was especially good though he was fully as good in what provoked a serious trend of thought.

Prof. Veatch, Mr. Hugh Dickerson, Mr. Clarence Hodge and Mr. Oscar Anderson sang fine solos which were greatly appreciated.

Mr. Dickerson exhibited a voice of wonderful volume and range. With training and development he will possess one of the finest voices in the musical world. Mr. Hodge sang the Alma college version of the "On the Farm in Michigan" which made a big hit with the crowd. In Tipperary he was equally good.

Prof. Davis played several fine selections on the violin while Miss Mary Rose accompanied at the piano in a faultless manner.

## PROGRAM

Carmena Wilson  
GLEE CLUB  
Me Ye Wind and Waves (Bass aria from opera Scipio) Handel  
Serenade Schubert  
GLEE CLUB  
Solo and Chorus from "Pinafore" Sullivan  
Mr. Austin and Glee Club  
In This Solemn Hour (Force of Destiny) Verdi  
Messrs Butler and Anderson  
Sextette from Lucia Donizetti  
Glee Club Liszt  
Rigoletto Fantasia  
The Two Grenadiers McDowell  
The Beaming Eyes Schumann  
Mr. Veatch  
Mazurka Haesche  
Prelude Chopin  
Souvenir de Moscow Weinawski  
Cavalier's Song Werrenrath  
Messrs. Butler, Goodrich, Anderson and Austin  
Readings and Impersonations Selected  
Mr. Beyer  
An Act of Up-to-Date Grand Opera

Mr. Tyler (Residing on the Fifth Floor of an Apartment House)  
Mrs. Tyler (His Wife)  
The Junior  
The members of the club are:  
FIRST TENORS:  
B. A. McCloy, Fairgrove, Mich., Dan Smith, Alma, Mich., M. A. Pole, Paw Beach, Mich., Ross McAllister, Harbor Beach, Mich.

SECOND TENORS:  
C. Hope Butler, Bad Axe, Mich., R. A. Beyer, Detroit, Mich., Ralph Chisholm, Breckenridge, Mich., Roy Shifflet, Watervliet, Mich.

BARITONES:  
C. R. Goodrich, Cadillac, Mich., Ward Hodge, Breckenridge, Mich., O. M. Anderson, Omena, Mich., John Ludwick, Diamond Lake, Mich.

BASSES:  
Hugh Dickerson, Holtan, Kan., Paul Austin, Monroe, Mich., A. S. Johnson, Paw Paw, Mich., F. T. Patterson, Reed City, Mich.

## NEXT WEDNESDAY ALMA'S BOOSTER DAY

Commercial Association Completes Arrangements for First of City's  
Big Trading Events

Bargains to be Offered in Business Places and  
Effort Made to Reveal Alma's Attractiveness as a Trading Point.

IT ISN'T YOUR TOWN—IT'S YOU

If you want to live in the kind of a town  
Like the kind of a town you like.  
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip  
And start on a long, long hike.  
You'll only find what you left behind.  
For there's nothing that's really new.  
It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town.  
It isn't the town—it's you!

Real towns are not made by men afraid  
Lest somebody else gets ahead.  
When everyone works and nobody shirks  
You can raise a town from the dead.  
And if while you make your personal stake  
Your neighbors can make one, too.  
Your town will be what you want to see.  
It isn't the town—it's you!

Every merchant, citizen and resident of Alma believes that this city is the most progressive, best located and finest trading city in Central Michigan—in short, they all are of the firm conviction that Alma is the Best Little City in The Country. That's the very reason why the merchants "got-together" and formed a live business men's organization, the Alma Commercial Association, and that's why every single merchant in Alma is spending money liberally to make Wednesday, April 28th, 1915, a day long to be remembered. On that date Alma will have its first Booster Day, when some particular article, and in some cases several articles will be sold in every place of business far below cost.

The heart of the whole matter is that Alma is after all the outside as well as city business that her merchants can possibly get and no obstacle will be allowed to stand in the way of realizing that aim. In the past, farmers have not received more than ordinary encouragement to trade in Alma. In the future if they secure better prices in other towns or villages it will be because goods are being sold at a loss. Alma is after business and her merchants are going after it as they never have before. The Booster Day Sale is only the first step in a general movement to make Alma the best trading center in Michigan.

The farming district of which Alma is the central city, is the richest in Michigan; the farmers are the most progressive and certain natural advantages which Alma possesses make her the city with the best prospects imaginable. The reasons that Alma merchants are lacking this wide spread movement to the limit, is because they have never before in Alma as a city which can have a brighter future in a business and social way. That is why the Alma Commercial Association is not an organization which would like to do things but hasn't the gumption to, but is an organization to which every retail and wholesale man in the city belongs as a contributing and active member, and to which he is more than willing to contribute liberally both with financial and moral support.

The Booster Day Sale next Wednesday is only the initial step in this work which the men have cut out for themselves, for similar sales will be held the last Wednesday in every month of the year, with bargain prices quoted in every store in Alma and an appeal made to the slender or ample pocketbook of every Alma citizen, which can not be resisted.

This week we are putting out a sixteen page edition of the Record which is "chock full" of bargain announcements. Read them over and then circle "Wednesday, April 28th" on your calendar with a heavy red mark which will remind you that it is the day on which you should take advantage of sacrifice bargains.

The following list contains the names of the merchants participating in this Booster Day Sale and at least one special article which they will sell below cost. For sake of brevity in many cases the particular brand or style is omitted, but the character of this can be easily learned by looking up the ads on other pages of the Record.

Messenger—3 shirts \$8.50  
Smiths' Bakery—12c cookies, 8c  
Slater—\$5 raincoat, \$2.45  
Davis—10c tobacco, 5c  
Chick—50c shoes, \$1.50  
Look-Patterson—wall paper 20 per cent. off  
Smith-Clapp—stoves, 10 per cent. off  
Lundholm—peanuts 75c lb.  
McKenzie Bros.—5c cigar 7 for 25c  
Anderson and Houck—25lb sack flour 85c  
Robinson—55c lineoleum 36 1/2c  
Gerhardt—50c dresses 21c  
Weller—75c shirts 25c  
Edlund—10 bars soap 25c  
Baker—25c crepes 14c  
Crillon and Scott—\$3.00 rocker 98c  
Home Lumber & Fuel Co.—roofing \$1.00  
Saad—23c enamel ware sale  
Brunner—\$2.00 animal tonic \$1.00  
Maier—dinner set with suit of clothes.  
Arcadia Grocery—50c coffee 15c  
Wright—\$9.60 rug \$6.20  
Miner—15c hot plate  
W. E. Baker—18 pictures for 1 doz.  
Redman—wholesale rates  
R. R. Smith—\$2.50 suit \$2.79  
McIntosh—floor 85c  
Gray and Gray—5c coffee 3c  
Alma Elevator—within 2c of Detroit prices  
Converse—30 per cent. off on rings  
Miller—12 bars soap 25c  
Bartley—steak 14c  
Losey—\$3.50 clock \$1.98  
Mrs. Adams—25c crock  
Alma Grain & Lumber Co.—bbl. flour \$7.50  
Eckert—steak 10c  
Scattergood—4 off on silverware

## ALMA HIGH BASKETBALL MEN HONORED

During the chapel services at the high school Tuesday morning the members of the high school basketball squad were presented with insignias by Coach Maxwell, the seven men who played on the first team a sufficient number of games to merit the wearing of it, were given "A's", while eleven men were given "R's" for their work as reserve men.

The men who received the "A" were Captain Roy Perry, Lester Hamer, Malcolm Smith, Charles Dutt, Wesley Muscott, Clarence Banghart, and Ralph Tinkham. Those who were honored with the "R" were Glen Campbell, Raymond Medler, Dave Mindell, Ted Kress, Donald Blaisdell, Harry Stevens, Vern Handley, Cleophas Walker, Carl DeWitt, Donald Reid, and James Howe.

The basketball season was an "in and out" with the team losing several hard luck contests and winning many in fine style. By the end of the season team work was well developed and the boys put up a fine exhibition, closing up the season by trouncing the Cadillac high in an easy manner.

Just fifteen hundred packages were received and delivered during the same period of time as against fourteen hundred ninety one during the same period in October, 1914. The packages were delivered in almost every case within at least three hours after the mail sack was opened. It has kept Merrill Stuckey the parcels post man, busy day and part of the night delivering these parcels.